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|   | First Named Inventor                       | James E. PRICER, et al. |  |
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| This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.<br>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June<br>6, 1986, or law problem application.   |  |                         |  |
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| il. Other   |  |                         |  |
| b. X Enclosed   |  |                         |  |
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| b Other   |  |                         |  |
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